Eli Dietz: All right.

The Beneficiary Fund has 60 cents credit from brother Daniel Forney.

Brother J. B. Wampler is on a visit to brother J. W. Beer, his brother-in-law.

I do not see why brother John H. Worst is called *worst*, when he is not a whit behind the best.—JOHN NICHOLSON.

The Brethren at Auburn, Ill., commenced last spring with seven members. They now number forty-six and future prospects are very good.

Brother G. B. Replogle has changed his address to Udell, Appanoose county, Iowa, a new post office. You are square to date, brother George.

We have hopes of a visit from brother J. C. Cripe some time during the winter, as he expects to spend some time preaching the gospel in Ohio.

The Brethren at Rush Creek church, Fairfield county, O., are greatly encouraged by becoming more thoroughly acquianted with the enemies of the Cross.

Brother Geo. Neff, of Bristol, Ind., sends us a clever list of subscribers, with hopes for more. The German Baptists have kept the Brethren in constant harrass in his community, and are keeping up a lively competition.

James 2:2, "If there come one into your assembly", stands in Greek as in margin, *synagogue*, This passage is remarkable as being the only instance in Holy Writ where the word synagogue is applied to the Christian church.

We have a sermon from brother Mason for next week. Who will send us one for the following week, and the next, and the next, and so on? It would be a wonder if two hundred ministers could not furnish us with fifty sermons a year. It would be only one in four years. Brother Bashor's is the first and it is a good sample. We don't ask anything much better.

Brother J. H. Worst paid us a visit last week, and preached for us on Christmas evening. He was kindly received by his numerous friends in Ashland and vicinity. We have a partial promise that he will visit Ashland again, in company with his family, before they move to their new home in Dakota. Our readers will be pleased to learn that brother Worst will be one of our regular contributors during the present year.

Brother Elmer Worst has returned to Lawrence, Kan., taking his family with him. This takes away two more of our attentive church goers. Hope others will soon take their places. By the way, what can the Brethren do for our scattered members at Lawrence; where is the nearest church, and who will go there and preach a week and build up a congregation of Brethren? The souls of the people of Lawrence are as precious in the sight of the Lord as those of any other place.

The church that was organized at Sugar Grove, Howard Co., Ind., Nov. 17th, will now be known as the church at Burlington, Carroll Co., Ind. This is another of the many churches that have lately sprung into existence, where previously there were no members. They held meetings for five days, and thirteen united with the church. They organized, and continued the meetings, until they now number twenty-seven, with two live, zealous ministers.

Our brethren and sisters everywhere should dedicate their pens to the Lord, during 1884, and make the EVANGELIST a thorough exponent of Gospel truth, and prepare short tracts upon the doctrines of the church and a higher Christian life, for general distribution. Every reader of the EVANGELIST should work to extend the circulation of our church paper, labor and contribute toward circulating said tracts, and embody in their life and character the truths of the Gospel.

How we reckon? This is the way: If you were marked 6-25, it indicates that you had paid to Vol. 6, No. 25, or for twenty-five numbers of this year, 1884, at the rate of $1.25 a year. At $1.25 a year would be 2½ cents a week, reckoning 50 weeks for a year, which is our rule. Hence you had a credit of 62½ cents on this year. Our rates now are four cents a week. Hence 62÷4=15½; and you are entitled to the enlarged paper fifteen weeks. One dollar and thirty-seven cents will pay for the full year. Other credits may be worked out by the same rule.

Joshua Kessler writes like an honest man. He says: "You have been sending your welcome paper over the time subscribed for about five months, and wishing to treat others as I should like to be treated, I will herein enclose stamps for the same." And he did, and his account is square, and his conscience clear. Oh, how happy we could be made, if about two hundred of our old conservative patrons, whose indebtedness fully aggregates one thousand dollars, could be moved by such convictions. It is somewhat notorious that every last one of them is conservative. And it is right so, for we do not want a man among us who will not speak the truth and pay his honest debts, if he can. Such members are only stumbling blocks in the way of honest persons, and their profession will do themselves no good.

The Brethren at Waterloo, Iowa, have decided to build a new meeting house. It will be located about one mile north of the present German Baptist house.

Bunyan's Pilgrim's Progress has been translated into 66 different languages. Next to the Holy Bible itself, this book has been issued in more languages than any other book.

The Brethren held their first meetings at Bunker Hill, Ind., on April 5th last; previous to that time there were no members there, but so eager were the people for the pure bread of life, free from human adulterations, that during the meeting forty-nine united with the church. They now number sixty-eight, and in good working order.

According to promise and announcement we filled the regular appointment of the Brethren, in their house at Dayton, on Sunday forenoon, Dec. 23rd, and preached to the "faithful few" who had religion enough to brave the snow, rain and storm. It was a fearful day. Spent the afternoon with the interesting family of brother and sister Keihl. Brother J. R Denlinger had expected to attend the meeting and to dine with us, but he did neither. We thought of him, however, and spoke of him. At night the weather was still worse, if possible, at least it had darkness added, and so we did not go to the church at all, as we did not think any one would turn out.

James Quinter has been holding a protracted meeting for the German Baptists at Waterloo, Iowa. A correspondent informs us that he preached good progressive sermons sometimes, and that if all would live up to his teaching, we could all worship together again. Of course, this is the Conservative way of doing; they preach one thing and practice another. Our correspondent goes on to say: "Some of the German Baptists attended our meetings notwithstanding their own meetings are in progress, and by the way they kept coming, I presume they wanted to know what was going on where the largest congregations were." Yes, and when the report is published in the *Messenger*, we presume it will say as usual, "there were some favorable impressions made."

The *North American Review* for January presents a table of contents possessing in the highest degree the character of contemporary human interest. First, the opposite sides of the question of "Ecclesiastical Control in Utah" are set forth by two representative men, whose competence for the performance of the task undertaken by them respectively admits of no doubt, viz: President John Taylor, the official head of the Mormon church, and the Hon. Eli H. Murray, Governor of the Territory of Utah. Senator John I. Mitchell writes of the "Tribulations of the American Dollar," recounting the strenuous efforts of the people of the United States to extinguish the national debt, and contending that it is our imperative duty to-day to settle definitely the question whether we shall have dollars of unequal commercial value in circulation. In an article entitled "Theological Re-adjustments," the Rev. Dr. J. H. Rylance insists upon the necessity of eliminating from the formularies of belief and from the current teachings of the churches, whether in the pulpit or in the Sunday-school, all doctrines and all statements of supposed facts which have been discredited by the advance of exegetical scholarship, and by the progress of natural science. Senator Henry W. Blair, taking for his theme "Alcohol in Politics," declares his belief that another irrepressible conflict is at hand, and advocates the submission to the people of an amendment to the United States Constitution prohibiting the manufacture, sale and importation of intoxicating liquors. No one who read in the December *Review* the first half of "The Day of Judgment," Gail Hamilton's incisive review of the domestic life of Thomas Carlyle, will forego the pleasure of perusing the latter half in the current number. "Evils Incident to Immigration," by Edward Self, is a forcible statement of the mischiefs wrought by the importation of our social and political life of an enormous annual contingent from the lowest stratum of the population of Europe. Finally, the subject of "Bribery by Railway Passes" is discussed by Charles Aldrich and Judge N. M. Hubbard. Published at 30 Lafayette Place, New York, and for sale by booksellers generally.

Correspondence.

Good Cheer.

Dear EVANGELIST, go forth, the coming year, with the glad tidings of great joy, of "Peace on earth, and good will to man," and may the grand theme be taken up by all the Brethren all over the land; and may we throw away dissensions, bitterness and strife; be earnest in the work, while it is called to-day, leading by our works our fellow men, that they with us may be branches, upon the true vine, and all abound in the fruit of the spirit, that we all be members of the body of Christ on earth, and finally with Christ, our Elder Brother, members of the Church of God in Heaven.

FRANCIS DRAKE.

Boston, Indiana.

From Sherm

BRO. H. R. HOLSINGER a little late sending in m GELIST, but better late been waiting on some p. begin to feel that I am l a very fine country; be climate and a good countr of the Brethren is little kno the world. There is a co Order Brethren in Cook cou are only three members of t stand on the Bible alone platf county, Texas, my wife, sist self.

The sample copy for 1884 bation; I am well pleased and general arrangement I am proud of the Pro Christian people must lik EVANGELIST.

Sherman, Texas.

From Brother D. W.

Myself and wife are the o this part of God's moral vine twenty-three miles north-we Ohio, among the German Ba and we hope that before lo Brethren will come and prea DAY

Potsdam, Ohio.

From Brother

Our meeting at the Jackson emaugh congregation, closed ning, with 21 additions. I am Commenced meeting last ev to give my time from now til gelistic work, if my labors ar Brethren. My address for fo will be Mineral Point, Cambri S.

From Harrisonburg, V

Brother Bashor came among 15th. Was sick when he cam fill the first two appointmer eight sermons, and thirtee came out to take the Bible al trine. Eleven of them are to the near future. One can German Baptist church, formerly belon day there wer could not att left for home Postponed the in January.

Harrisonburg.

From B

Since my report ing in New Troy to our number; been a member o other a young lady are two yet to be bu tism, a young wom and the next a boy young he is well ve the line of distinct young members were early life, by good and faithful pa spect this oft repeated admonition Parents, be careful, be prayerful, and double your efforts in training your dear children to walk in the path of righteousness.

A. J. INGLERIGHT.

Brother Spanogle's Donation.

BRO. EDITOR:—On Monday afternoon, December 24th, we were the recipients of a bountiful donation, as well as a great surprise, and we ask a space in the EVANGELIST to return our thanks. Our larder is crammed, our watch guard is fastened to a beautiful watch, presented to us by our Duncansville brethren, sisters and friends; our cellar emits that delightful aroma so peculiar to good apples; a nice pile of potatoes occupies the bin, a long rope on the loft hangs full of the editor's *most delectable sausage;* the emaciated wallet has expanded, and, as a result, your brother is happy.

Now, brother Editor, as you claim relationship to everybody in the "Cove," because of your nativity, I will tell you of your "relations" who were here: S. B. Furry, wife and daughter Jennie, Dr. Wengert and wife, J. L. Wineland, D. M. Klepser and wife, C. Dilling, M. C. Hoover, Jacob Dilling, Geo. Wineland, Harvey Wengert, Mrs. Lizzie Grabill and daughter Beckie, Mrs. Annie Grawl, Mrs. Maggie Kyler, Misses Annie Cameron, Beckie Wineland, Josie Davis, and Laura Puterbaugh. Bro. S. B. Furry was chosen spokesman, and addressed us with an excellent and impressive speech, tender[illegible] us the bountiful donations of the fri[illegible] solemnly reminding us of our obligations to the Great Giver of all good. Thank you, brethren, sisters and friends; may God bless you all, and guide us by His Spirit, to that home where we may enjoy the great feast of Heaven.

WILL AND MARY SPANOGLE.

Martinsburg, Pa., Dec. 26.

Brother Replogle's Surprise.

The surprise spirit has been infused into the Brethren of New Enterprise, either through the influence of your paper or the influence of the Higher power, with a desire to do good. Your correspondent was wonderfully surprised, as well as his entire family, this evening, by a company of about 24 of his brethren, sisters and friends in the community, who came without a moment's notice, and took possession of our house, and they did not forget to possess us with a number of the necessaries of life, consisting of about 40 pounds sausage, 10 pounds coffee, stuffed turkey, (so we can have roast turkey for Christmas), 1 barrel flour, 4 bushels apples, and as many potatoes, canned fruit, sugar, apple butter, 2 dresses, corn meal, a pair of shoes, and quite a number of other articles. I do not know how they felt over it, and cannot tell how *we* felt, but this I do know, their countenances showed that they felt they were doing a good act. I believe if I had known of their coming, I would have committed the editor's speech to recite to them; but then I suppose they had all read that, because I believe the EVANGELIST had something to do in influencing that spirit of benevolence thus shown to their servant. May God bless them and all the brethren, and sure God will bless such acts of charity. I cannot give the names of the donors all, but God knows them and their names,

B. Z. REPLOGLE.

From South Bend, Ind.

We closed a meeting last evening. Brother Fitzgerald came among us one week ago to-, and held meetings in the south meeting se of the German Baptist church, in the tage congregation. We had meetings ry evening from Thursday until Monday. n they shut us out, after which we held in a school house.

Brother Fitzgerald is a bold embassador of t. He treated us to a feast of such as we have not had for a long [illegible] quite a feeling in this com generally, and left very go[illegible] He has agreed to come among us again near future. There is no Brethren here as yet; but there is quite a num- little flock, and we hope soon to shepherd to lead us on in the manner Master has laid down in his gos- an interest in the prayers of all and we, in our feebleness, will the Scriptures command us to

D. C. ULLERY.

Ind.

Could but Cannot.

state that I cannot take yo Not because I do not wish means, but because I am sick so much for medicine. I lo and I love the spirit of chu willing to grant us the liberty of co for which we all so earnestly contend bore the reproaches of those whose imag tion led them to believe that they only h the conscience that was entitled to liberty, forgetting that it is written: "Where the spirit of the Lord is, there is liberty," to do good, of course. Although the Apostle did not make that distinction just there, the people of his day understood his meaning; but in this age some pretend that we want liberty to do evil. But be patient, my brethren, the coming of the Lord draweth nigh, when Christ's prayer will be answered, that his disciples might be one as He and the Father were one. Then they will all see alike, and the church be without spot or wrinkle. Oh! glorious day, we long for thy coming.

LEAH CRONCE.

REMARKS.—We think sister Cronce deserves to have our paper, and therefore we have entered her name for the present year, and have charged it to our beneficiary fund. If in any way she can aid us in return, by speaking a good word for us or our cause, or contributing something to our columns, we shall thankfully accept it.

Married.

KUNKLE—BEAL—By Bro. R. F. Mallott, at the parents, December 16th, 1883, Sister Ella B[illegible] erson Kunkle, all of Knox county, Ohio. May [illegible] perity attend them.

SHANK—HEETER—December 23, 1883, at the [illegible] dence of Mr. John Shank, near Dayton, O[illegible]